

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 7, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Fig 14 illustrates another embodiment of the invention. Security device 200 includes an attachment mechanism 201 designed to be attached to a portable object of equipment such as a personal computer (not shown), having an external wall 250. Attachment mechanism 201 comprises a housing 202 which generally includes a top end 204, a bottom end 208, and a generally cylindrical side wall 206, which in combination define internal hollow cavity 210. Side wall 206 has a pair of apertures 212 which are aligned with one another and which are sized to allow a cable 242 to pass through the apertures. Top end 204 is provided with an opening 214 which extends to proximate bottom end 208 to provide access for screw 230 into cavity 210, as will be described in more detail hereinafter. A raised plate 218 having a threaded aperture 216 is provided in bottom end 208 of the housing to accommodate insertion of screw 230 or inhibiting member 230.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 14, line 23, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Integral with bottom end 208 of housing 202 is an engagement mechanism or slot engagement member 220 which includes a generally cylindrical shaft or slot engagement portion 222 and a crossmember or locking member 224 attached to the shaft at the distal end of the shaft. As previously described with reference to prior embodiments of the invention, the peripheral dimensions of the crossmember conform closely to the internal dimensions of slot 252. The crossmember 224 is generally rectangular, having straight sides and semi-circular ends, as previously described.--

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 22, with the following rewritten paragraph:

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--Fig. 15 illustrates another embodiment of the invention which has a similar configuration to the embodiment of Fig. 14 except that a spindle 260 is used instead of a screw to prevent rotation of housing 202'. Spindle 260 includes a cylindrical portion 264 adapted to be

63 rotatably mounted within the cylindrical cavity 210' of the housing. An aperture 268 is formed through cylindrical portion 264 and is sized to allow a cable (not shown) to pass through the aperture. Spindle 260 includes a raised plate 266 at a proximal end of the spindle which forms the aft end of the spindle. Spindle 260 also includes a pin member or inhibiting member 270 extending outwardly through aperture 216' in housing 202'. The length of the pin member 272 external the housing is slightly greater than the thickness of external wall 250.--
